

May 14, 2012

Virginia: At a regular meeting of the Council for the Town of Chatham, held at the Chatham Fire Station at 7:00 P.M. on May 14, 2012.

Present: Robert B. Thompson, Vice Mayor

Council Members: William P. Black, Roy P. Byrd, and Andrew D. Wall. Absent: Mayor Joseph Rogers, Council Members Janet Bishop, and Alvin Crider.

Present: Attorney Larry Gott.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation was led by Vice-Mayor Thompson.

On a motion by Byrd seconded by Black Council approved the agenda as presented.

The Vote: Aye: Council Members; Black, Byrd, Thompson, and Wall.

Vice Mayor Thompson welcomed citizen Ray Wright who said that he was attending to learn about the local government.

Town Manager Edmund Giles said that he has received three bids for the water plant contract and they are all over budget. Anderson Construction is the lowest bidder at \$353,550, however, item #3 of the proposal is to be eliminated to reduce the bid to \$252,750.

He reported that he has submitted a request for a second draw from the Tobacco Grant. \$205,000 has been spent to date.

Giles praised the staff at the water plant for receiving a platinum quality award from the EPA for water quality production. Supervisor Rodney Bryant and employees Adam Brooks and John Richardson are to be congratulated for their performance.

Giles said that the new playground equipment at Harris Field will be in place within a few days.

Under the Consent agenda the minutes were approved on a motion by Byrd seconded by Black.

The Vote: Aye: Council Members; Wall, Thompson, Byrd, and Black.

On a motion by Black seconded by Wall council approved the paid bills and salaries.

The Vote: Aye: Council Members; Black, Wall, and Thompson.

Nay: Council Member; Byrd.

On a motion by Black seconded by Wall council approved the unpaid bills.

The Vote: Aye: Council Members; Thompson, Wall, and Black.

Nay: Council Member; Byrd.

Director of Public Works Bob Hanson reported that items sold at the sealed bid auction were \$411.00 for the Dodge truck, \$53.00 for the push mower, and \$126.50 for the riding mower.

Council approved the bids and sale on a motion by Black seconded by Wall.

The Vote: Aye: Council Members; Byrd, Wall, Black, and Thompson.

On a motion by Byrd seconded by Wall council approved the expenditures for tree work in Frances Hurt Park behind Town Hall as well as rewiring Town Hall and a new air conditioning unit.

The Vote: Aye: Council Members; Byrd, Black, Thompson, and Wall.

Ordinance Committee Chair Bill Black reported from committee to recommend deletion of section 6C #3 from the Town Code. Council approved the referral from the committee pending a public hearing to be scheduled in June.

The Vote: Aye: Council Members; Wall, Black, Thompson, and Byrd.

TM Giles reported that he is seeking a beautification sponsor for the S. Main Street island at the nursing home crossover. He will keep council informed.

Councilman Black expressed his appreciation to the town crew for their beautification work around town.

On a motion by Byrd seconded by Thompson council approved the Zoning Board service recommendations: Les R. Adams, Betty S. Camp, Henry A. Haymes, Tate Leftwich, and William Wiebking.

The Vote: Aye: Council Members; Thomson, Byrd, Black, and Wall.

Having no further business council was adjourned.

Vice Mayor

Attest: